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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Management and Services
SUBJECT : Weekly Report - Office of Training

I. Recent Activities

A. Japanese Instruction

In a meeting on Tuesday, 31 July, with the Chief of [redacted] STATINTL [redacted], EA Division, the Chief, Language School and his Chief, Near East and Asian Department discussed problems relating to Japanese language instruction. Over the years, for a number of reasons, including poor motivation, low aptitude on the part of the students, an ailing LS instructor of Japanese, and some misunderstandings with FSI's school [redacted], the product of Japanese training has not been considered adequate [redacted]. And input of students in Japanese has slowed significantly. In an attempt to accelerate interest and improve the product, both components will try to develop a program which would best meet the needs of the Branch, regardless of where the language training takes place. The Language School will continue to accept full-time students until a decision is reached, in November or December, as to what the new approach will be. It may well be that the students in full-time study will attend classes at the Foreign Services Institute and that the Language School will retain one teacher for part-time instruction. It may also be that the Language School will abandon Japanese instruction altogether.

B. Actions on TSB Nominees

1) At its meeting on Friday, 26 July, the Training Selection Board approved the nomination of [redacted] of NPIC to attend the pilot running of the Postgraduate Intelligence Course at the Defense Intelligence School. The course, beginning 10 September, will run for nine months, to June 1974. [redacted] is a photo interpreter, Grade GS-12, with background in history and government.

2) We have been advised by the Civil Service Commission that [redacted], NPIC, who was the Agency's only nominee for Fellowship in Congressional Operations, was not selected for the 1974-75 program. Keen competition was indicated as the reason for the non-selection.

C. OSR Conference

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The Office of Strategic Research held a conference [redacted]

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[redacted] on Wednesday and Thursday, 25-26 July.
Twelve representatives attended the full session.

D. Director of Training on TDY

The DTR left Monday, 29 July, on TDY out West, to interview candidates for the position of DDTR. He had interviews scheduled in Tucson, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. He will return late Friday, 3 August.

II. Upcoming Developments

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B. Next Meeting of the Training Selection Board

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The Training Selection Board will meet at the [redacted] Station on Tuesday and Wednesday, 7 and 8 August, to select nominees for the Senior Officer Schools for the 1974-75 academic year. Time permitting, candidates for the fourth CIA Seminar will also be selected. There are 24 nominations for 20 slots. The MSS and SSI Directorates each submitted names of seven candidates; Operations, six; and Intelligence, four. The nominees are of the same high quality and diversity found in numbers of the three previous Seminars.

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